§ 223.22 Fees for services of the Treasury Department.

- (a) Fees shall be imposed an collected, for the services listed in paragraphs (a) (1) through (4) of this section which are performed by the Treasury Department, regardless of whether the action requested is granted or denied. The payee of the check or other instrument shall be the Financial Management Service, Treasury Department. The amount of the fee will be based on which of the following categories of service is requested:
- (1) Examination of a company's application for a certificate of authority as an acceptable surety on Federal bonds or for a certificate of authority as an acceptable reinsuring company on such bonds (see § 223.2);
- (2) Examination of a company's application for recognition as an admitted reinsurer (except on excess risks running to the United States) of surety companies doing business with the United States (see § 223.12(a) and (b));
- (3) Determination of a company's continuing qualifications for annual renewal of its certificate of authority (see § 223.3); or
- (4) Determination of a company's continuing qualifications for annual renewal of its authority as an admitted reinsurer (see §223.12(c)).
- (b) In a given year a uniform fee will be collected from every company requesting a particular category of service, e.g., determination of a company's continuing qualifications for annual renewal of its certificate of authority. However, the Treasury Department reserves the right to redetermine the amounts of fees annually. Fees are determined in accordance with Office of Management and Budget Circular A-25, as amended.
- (c) Specific fee information may be obtained from the Assistant Commissioner, Comptroller at the address shown in §223.2. In addition, a notice of the amount of a fee referred to in §223.22(a) (1) through (4) will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER as each change in such fee is made.

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PART 224—FEDERAL PROCESS AGENTS OF SURETY COMPANIES

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§ 224.1 Statutory provision.

The rules and regulations in this part are prescribed for carrying into effect 31 U.S.C. 9306.

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§ 224.2 Appointment of process agents.

- (a) Generally. Companies should especially note that the law prohibits the doing of business under the provisions of this act beyond the State under whose laws it was incorporated and in which its principal office is located until an agent is appointed to accept Federal process on behalf of the company. An agent for the service of Federal process should be appointed:
- (1) In the district where the principal resides;
- (2) In the district where the obligation is to be undertaken and performed; and
- (3) Also in the District of Columbia where the bond is returnable and filed. The appointment of process agents pursuant to a local State statute is not compliance with the Federal law. Although one and the same agent may serve under both the State and Federal appointments, he must, nevertheless, be especially designated to accept Federal process. It should also be noted that the agent so designated must reside within the jurisdiction of the court for the judicial district wherein such suretyship is to be undertaken, and must be citizen of the State, Territory, or District of Columbia in which such court is held. Consequently an agent residing in the northern district of New York could not at the same time serve as the company's Federal process agent for the southern district of that State.